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Lessons Learned Information Sharing *LLIS.gov*

Sharing Information
Enhancing Preparedness
Strengthening Homeland Security

Channels on *LLIS.gov*

A TOOL FOR ENHANCING NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS

Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS.gov) is a US Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency program. *LLIS.gov* serves as the national, online network of lessons learned, best practices, and innovative ideas for the emergency response and homeland security communities. This information and collaboration resource helps emergency response providers and homeland security officials prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks, natural disasters, and other emergencies. *LLIS.gov* provides Federal, State, and local responders with a wealth of information and front-line expertise on effective planning, training, and operational practices across homeland security functional areas.

CHANNELS

To provide its members with extended information sharing capabilities, the *LLIS.gov* Team can help communities create topic- or organization-specific Channels. These Channels are distinct areas of *LLIS.gov* dedicated to specific communities and topics of interest and are administrated by a designated *LLIS.gov* member or members. Channels may be public (available to the entire *LLIS.gov* community) or private (available only to *LLIS.gov* members invited to join by the Channel administrator). The Channel administrator manages the Channel's membership and content with easy-to-use administrative tools. Channel members are encouraged to upload documents and events, which are then published by the administrator.

LLIS.gov at a Glance

- Online since April 19, 2004
- Over 56,000 registered members
- Over 15,000 documents, including more than 1,800 state and local plans, 850 after-action reports, and 1,000 original content documents
- Secure message boards and collaboration tools
- Targeted information on current homeland security topics

FEATURES

Channels have internal features that can help communities easily and securely share information.

- **Secure Messaging** allows any Channel member to send a message to anyone in the Channel community.
- **Message Boards** are useful for general questions or open conversations among Channel members.
- **Upcoming Events** that are of interest to the Channel community are uploaded by Channel members and are then approved by the administrator.
- **Member Search** provides contact information for Channel members to facilitate direct conversation.
- **Document Library** offers the Channel community a chance to review documents that would not be appropriate for the entire *LLIS.gov* community. Any Channel member can upload documents, which are then published by the Channel administrator.



An *LLIS.gov* representative can set up a Channel for you quickly and easily. Please contact Channels@llis.dhs.gov if you would like a Channel for your organization or area of interest.

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